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Suit Against Nixon Dismissed

U.S. District Court Chief Judge George L. Hart Jr. has dismissed a lawsuit by two members of Congress charging President Nixon illegally and unconstitutionally used up to $3 million to improve his estates at Key Biscayne and San Clemente.

Hart ruled that Reps. Louis Stokes (D-Ohio) and Bella S. Abzug (D-N.Y.) had no standing to sue about the improvements on Mr. Nixon's homes but instead should seek congressional actions.

"If they can get a majority of their colleagues to agree with them, they can remedy the situation," Hart declared from the bench. "It's not the province of the courts to do the work of Congress."

The suit had been directed against the General Services Administration, the Secret Service and the President. It asked that Mr. Nixon be required to return to the U.S. Treasury all the money which the congressmen said had been spent improperly on his homes.